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Editorial Comment

WHEN IS A HEADACHE NOT A HEADACHE?

Newspapers are having a problem keeping war-time mailing lists correct. Hundreds of soldiers are on the lists, and there is a constant changing of military addresses. The newspapers would have a "circulation headache" save for one thing. A headache is not a headache when it means getting home town news to home-town boys! No siree! We are glad to struggle with a mailing list, to help them keep up morale while struggling for all of us!

PARKING PROBLEMS

From time to time the citizens of Appomattox township discuss the problems of parking cars in the business section of the town. We usually shun involvement in such discussions, and the purpose of this tidbit is merely to comment that a town with a car parking problem is not alone. We dare say that every city and town in America has a problem connected with the parking of cars. And the solutions are as varied as are the lay-outs of the towns. What answers the problem in one town may not work in another. As for Appomattox, we are frank to say that the mere fact that we have parking problems is a healthy sign. Congestion is a sign of growth. We have a housing problem in Appomattox, and that, too, is a sign of growth. Were there plenty of room at all times to park your car anywhere you might wish, and were it no problem to find a vacant house to rent, then we would not feel free to keep repeating the phrase, "Appomattox is a growing town."

So, the background of our parking problems and our housing problems reflects healthy growth, and is perfectly normal for a town experiencing good business development. This fact should be borne in mind in discussing the proper handling of these problems. The perfect solution is not likely to be found. And the bigger the "parking problem" the better we like it, for it means lots of folks like to come to town! Let'em come! Do everything possible to make their stay pleasant so they will want to return. Some parking restrictions are necessary in a modern town, but they should so far as possible be held to a minimum so far as public safetly will permit.

Our town authorities have always been most solicitous for the growth of the town's business interests and we are sure that these authorities strive to make it convenient and pleasant to come to Appomattor.

POSITION REVERSED

Two years ago Russia was fighting for her very life, and pleaded for the opening of a "second front" on the continent. We were not in a position at the moment to comply with that request. Russia won her fight to survive and part, at least, of her victory was due to the fact that our bombings and the threat of invasion immobilized many German divisions which otherwise could have been hurled against the Red Army. Now the position is reversed, and many here are eyeing the dormant eastern front in Poland, hoping that Russia will contribute to the war of attrition against dwindling Nazi reserves. In this reversed situation, we must remember that on the Polish front, the battleground in Hungary, Yugoslavia, Czecho-Slovakia, Northern Norway, and elswehere, the Germans have dozens of crack divisions otherwise available to bolster their western front positions. A major Russian winter effort in Poland may be brewing, but at any event, the Red Army is making its contribution felt.

WHAT OTHER PAPERS SAY:

POLICING GERMANY

From Winchester Star

Plans for postwar military occupation of Germany have progressed to the point where a general understanding has been reached by the three great powers, with the possibility that France will have a hand in the agreement.

Under the preliminary arrangement, Russia will police eastern German, including Prussia. Britain will take over in northwestern Germany, leaving the southwestern area to U. S. forces of occupation. Austria does figure in these arrangements, but will be considered later.

Occupation, of course, is to continue only during the German surrender and the returning of the nation to a period of peace. It has nothing to do with final disposition of territory or the establishment of boundry lines. Claims for territory will be adjudicated later.

America's job will end with the policing of Germany. The United States wants no part of her territory. The nation may have a voice in partition of Germany, but only as a disinterested party. France will insist on a generous slice, as will Russia.

But the first job is to dispose of German armed might The details of what is to come then are still to be worked out, but the broad outline has been revealed.

Year of Opportunity

From New York Times

We are entering a new year that a great many people would like to have over and done with. A considerable part of it is not going to be happy for any sensitive person. For countless numbers all of it will be wretched. Few of us can find happiness in the general picture of what is taking place on this troubled earth. We must look for glimpses of it in incidents of less cosmic importance: in the love of our families and the affection of our friends; in having work to do and doing it with some measure of effectiveness; in watching the growth of our children or gardens and learning thereby that life will go on and time will heal all wounds.

It is not a year for contentment. It is not a year for sitting in the sun. If, some years hence, we are able to look back at it with tranquility, it will be for quite other reasons. It will be because we have been not merely onlookers but actors in a supreme moment of history. It will be because each of us has recognized and accepted a great responsibility. It is not the mass man who stands and wins. It is a sum total of individual men and women. If each of us does not count for something, then democracy counts for nothing. And it is the fate of democracy with which this crisis is concerned.

The humblest and most obscure of us has a voice and a task. A President, a general, a scientist, a great industrialist may be thought of as turning the tide, but so may a mother in Iowa, a man at a machine in Detroit, a farmer turning up golden furrows in Nebraska, a soldier, a sailor, a nurse whose names we shall never know.

It is, for each of us, his own war, his own burden, his own responsibility, his own opportunity. Each of us would have chosen this year to work through peaceful competition, through persuasion, through good-will. Each of us, supporting this war, has been compelled to seek a good end by violence, by the shedding of blood, by the destruction of civilization's wealth. It was a hard choice, but is was a cleaner and nobler one than any possible alternative. The curse of Cain would be heavier on our heads if we had done nothing to save ourselves, nothing to prevent the enslavement, murder and starvation of millions and the degradation of all humanity.

The choice was made, the seed of our determination sowed, three years ago. This year we shall begin to reap the harvest, not of victory alone, but, as we hope, of lasting peace. It will be a beginning only, for we cannot look forward to a whole world at peace twelve months from today. The speed of the reaping is personal to each of us. If the corporal and his squad do not falter when the tank comes up some German hill, or when the snipers open fire in some Phillipine valley, then neither must we falter here.

We must not falter in our work. We must not falter in our thinking. We must each of us, help win a war. We must, each of us, help plan a lasting peace. We must not let ourselves become confused, we must not let ourselves be misled. Our task this year is war. Our objective this year is the end of war. To this objective let us dedicate ourselves.

Letters From Our Readers

Editor, Times-Virginian,

The Lynchburg News of December 11, 1944, has an account of the proceedings of the C. I. O. Council at its meeting in Lynchburg calling for the defeat of Hon. Harry F. Byrd and his so-called machine in Virginia. It is very fortunate for the State of Virginia that the actions of this meeting are not supreme, as it has very nearly become supreme in the capitol at Washington. This C. I. O. Council denounces Senator Byrd for not taking the stump for President Roosevelt in the campaign just ended, and considers that to be the unpardonable political sin. Senator Byrd voted for Roosevelt, and has always voted for the nominee of the Democratic party, but Mr. Roosevelt cannot claim that record, for he has boasted that he has voted the Republican ticket on several occasions, and just a few years ago he journeyed to Nebraska to stump the state against the Democratic nominee for the late Senator Norris, and his wife has boasted that he voted for the late President Roosevelt in 1904. He also went out of the Democratic party and gathered from the Republican party several of his cabinet members. It is to be supposed that the C. I. O. are not aware of these facts, or (to be consistent) they would have seen to it that President Roosevelt was defeated this time for not having been loyal to his party in all the past. Some of Senator Byrd s poiltical enemies undertake to qnote from the Bible, saying that Adam and Eve got into trouble on account of the apple, but in this case the Bible says "fruit," but later the apple is used by the Lord in an application to one of his servants as follows: "He kept him as the apple of His eye." A large majority of the citizens of Virginia hold Senator Byrd as the apple of their eye. x x x x

The C. I. O. Council meeting in Lynchburg recently passed the following resolution: "Virginia voters have four times expressed confidence in the present administration. The people who elected Byrd expected him to follow this administration. He is therefore guilty of:

1. Failing to execute the mandate of the citizens.
2. Failing to support his Commander-in-Chief in time of war.
3. Placing selfish motives and per[illegible] the best interests of the people he represents.
4. Failing to support the 1944 Democratic Presidential candidate.

In view of these guilts, we pledge our efforts to remove from United States Congress the Byrd element and remove from the Senate Byrd himself."

Answering No. 1, I see no mandate for Byrd, as the Virginia voters have elected Byrd by large majorities to every office for which he has been a candidate.

No. 2. Byrd has not failed to support his Commander-in-Chief in time of war, but has supported all his policies for the prosecution of the war.

No. 3. It does not show any evidence that Byrd placed selfish motives above the best interests of the people he represents. How about selfish ambition on the part of the labor unions in all the strikes they have put on during the war.

No. 4. Byrd did vote for Roosevelt everytime he has been nominated for the Presidency.

Consistancy, thou art a jewel.

N. P. Featherston

(Note: We have been requested [illegible] from the Lynchburg News of January 2.)

To the Editor of The News:

Sir: I often receive interesting clippings from your paper in airmail letters and have recently read with interest one regarding the "resolution" adopted by the CIO executive board meeting in Lynchburg. I assume that the article appeared in The News.

Having lived in and near Lynchburg all of the thirty four years of my life, except these last two spent in the South Pacific, I have a deep personal feeling for the city and nearby counties. The community has contributed much to the social, economic and political progress of our Commonwealth. It is exceedingly difficult for us to keep in touch with conditions and developments back there as we so much desire. After reading the article mentioned above I feel compelled to express my opinion. Until entering the service I was one of the voters who expressed "confidence in our administration."

It was somewhat disconcerting to notice that a group of men, calling themselves the 11-man Virginia State CIO Council, has decided to take over the political affairs of the State. Very significant is the fact that they will begin by ousting Senator Harry F. Byrd from the United States Senate.

If these eleven men were born and reared in Virginia and not fly-by-night CIO stooges, they can recall the economic and political chaos of our state prior to the Byrd administration. If they are honest they will have to admit the very great progress made during Mr Byrd's term as governor. They will also admit the progressive development subsequent to his governorship for which Mr. Byrd was in a large measure responsible. Of course there was a political "machine", and it was quite naturally the Byrd machine. All politics seem to operate that way. With all its faults, the Byrd machine has never operated in such a dictatorial manner as the organization which these eleven men represent. I have never heard of any leader in the Byrd machine being convicted of, or even investigated for, conspiracy with foreign governments or subversive groups whose purpose is to overthrow the government of the United States. Can these gentlemen make a like statement about the machine which they spend so much time oiling?

Nothing would be more foolish than to try to enumerate the many contributions Senator Byrd has made to the welfare of our good State. The records speak quite loudly. I can think of no comparable efforts on the part of a single member of this PAC machine.

There are quite a few million of us overseas doing our individual small bits to protect our democracy. That democracy insures the privilege of each citizen to vote as he wishes and to express his opinions openly. Becoming a United States Senator did not deprive Mr. Byrd of that privilege. The charges set forth in the resolution are too absurd to be considered. Any one who has followed the activities of the Senator during his career knows he has always placed the love of his country and State above everything, even political success.

If these eleven men, who seem to be living quite comfortably as civilians in the finest country in the world, would spend more time cleaning up their own machine they wouldn't be too disturbed by the Byrd machine. If they would direct their efforts toward trying to curb strikes and dissentions in their own ranks they would be doing something constructive, instead of trying to destroy what others have accomplished.

Should this board really want to feel that it is entering a "patriotic undertaking" by assuming the "duty to Virginia" it will try to do something to hasten the end of the war so Virginians, those who still live, can come home to their State. It will stop trying to prolong the conflict in order that their hip pockets can bulge a little more and their dictatorial powers be greater.

T. M. Trent, CSKD, USNR.
63rd Naval Construction Btn.
San Francisco, Calif.

Everybody Sign

Why not have somebody delegated to draw up a set of good resolutions for us all and just have us sign them?

New Year With Hindus

Among the Hindus the first day of the year is celebrated with sacrifice to the god of wisdom.

Hitler says Germany will fight on into 1946 and will not surrender.

Allied fliers lash Nazi lines of supply.

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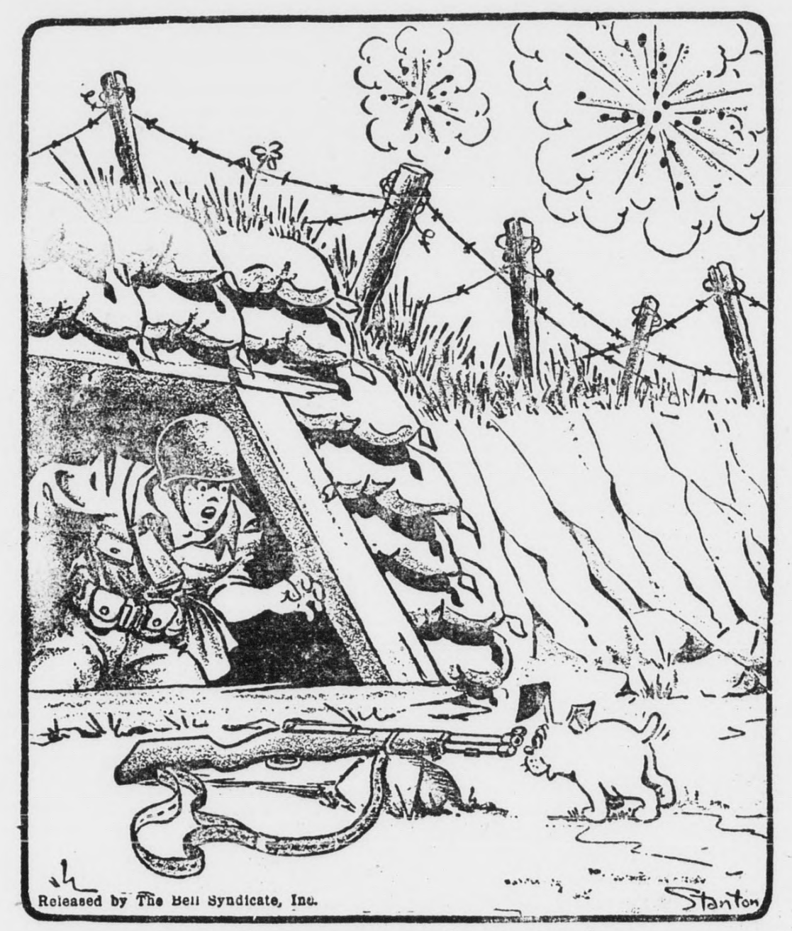
TIN HATS

By Stanton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"No-no, Bag-ears—that end's only for JAPS to look into!"

Twelve-Year-Old Boy Out To Break Record; Sold $373,300 in Three Previous Campaigns

Twelve-year-old Carl J. Buehler, Jr., is out to break his previous record of bond sales. With the six high school girls shown in the picture he is making the round of New Jersey theatres, community rallies and schools during the Sixth War Loan.

NEWARK, N. J.—With War Bond sales totaling $373,300 to his credit in three previous drives, 12-year-old Carl J. Buehler, Jr., of Verona, N. J., is out to break his previous records during the Sixth War Loan.

Accompanied by six attractive high school girls, whom he terms his "Bevy of Bond Boosters," Carl has started a round of schools, clubs, industries and community bond rallies, which will keep him busy throughout the drive.

The boy, who is believed to be America's champion school War Bond salesman, is a student at Our Lady of the Lake School in Verona. He started selling War Bonds during the Third War Loan and totalled $5,450 in sales. During the Fourth War Loan he sold $89,450 worth and during the Fifth $278,400. His achievements have brought him a personal letter of commendation from President Roosevelt, a jeep ride and a plane ride in the famed flying fortress, "Hell's Angels," which downed 18 German fighter planes in 48 missions over occupied Europe.

Said to be a spellbinder, Carl "sells" his audience thoroughly at every appearance.

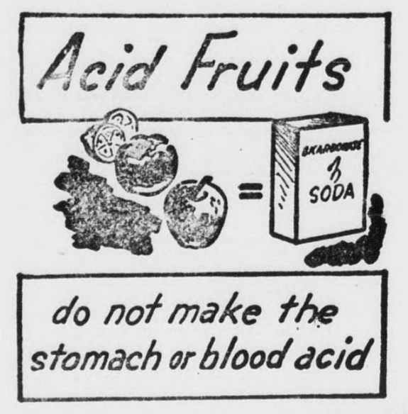
His achievement is the more remarkable because all sales have been made to individuals and the largest single sale was for $10,000. Nearly all of the bonds he has sold have been in Series E.

Equally at home in a factory or a radio station Carl is known as "The Kid Behind the Man Behind the Gun" and "America's Premier Young War Bond Salesman."

The six high school girls who are accompanying him on the present tour of New Jersey circulate through the audiences and make actual sales after Carl finishes one of his appealing sales talks.

The DEBUNKER

By John Harvey Furbay, Ph.D.


Acid Fruits
BICARBONATE OF SODA
=
do not make the stomach or blood acid

Many fruits contain much acid, but scientists have found that this acid turns into just the opposite thing—alkali—in the body.

The acid of lemon, tomatoes and apples is converted in the body to form a substance similar to ordinary bicarbonate of soda. Instead of causing acidosis, these fruits actually help to cure it. Cherries, cranberries and plums do not change to alkali in this way, however.

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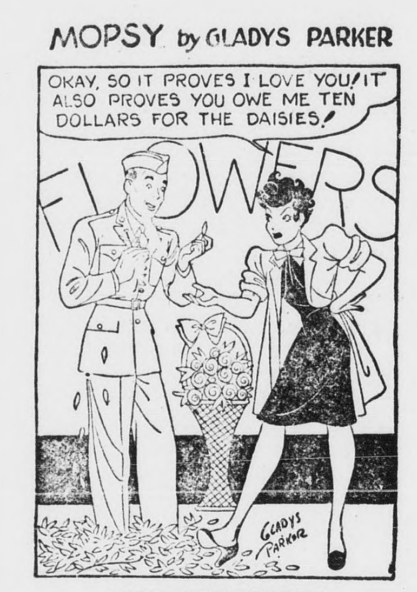
MOPSY by GLADYS PARKER


OKAY, SO IT PROVES I LOVE YOU! IT ALSO PROVES YOU OWE ME TEN DOLLARS FOR THE DAISIES!
FLOWERS
GLADYS PARKER

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL
SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D.
Of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.
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Lesson for January 7

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THE CHILDHOOD OF JESUS

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 2:13-23.
GOLDEN TEXT—Behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest.—Genesis 28:15.

Matthew is the Gospel of the King and His kingdom. It stresses the fulfillment of prophecy in the coming of Christ, the King. After His rejection, it tells us of the Church, "the kingdom in mystery," and of the death of Christ for our sins, His resurrection for our justification, and His glorious coming again.

This then is an important book which we study for the next three months. Teacher and student alike should be enthusiastic and expectant.

The genealogy of the King, and the story of His coming to earth as the babe of Bethlehem (both important matters), are covered in chapter 1. In our lesson we find Him as a little child. Observe how man received Him, and how God cared for Him. Without assigning definite verses to our points we note that:

I. Men Received or Rejected Jesus.

It has always been so. Men, then as now, were either for Him or against Him. The world or today is far different from that of the first century, but the difference is all on the outside. Almost breath-taking have been the developments of modern science, but these have not changed the heart of man. He still fears and hates and fights and sins.

His attitude toward Christ is unchanged. There are still only two classes of people in the world—those who have received Christ and are saved, and those who have rejected Him and are lost.

1. Men Are Against Christ.

How do men show their rejection of God's Son? Just as they did at His birth, by:

a. Fear. Herod was afraid lest the coming of this One should result in the loss of his ill-gotten gains. His anger and fear made all Jerusalem afraid.

b. Indifference. When the Wise Men asked where Christ was to be born, the priests and scribes knew exactly where to find the facts in the Holy Scriptures, but having done so, they relapsed into utter indifference. They had no interest in the fulfillment of the prophecy.

c. Hatred. Herod poured out the violence of his heart by killing the first-born. He was the first of many who have raged against the Christ in futile anger.

d. Sorrow. The tears of the mothers of Jerusalem but foreshadowed the weeping and wailing which characterizes Christ-rejection both in time and eternity.

2. Men Are For Christ.

Thanks be to God, there were those in that day who were for Christ and, like those who follow Him today, they showed:

a. Spirituality. Men have marveled that the Magi knew of the birth of Christ. They must have studied the prophecies of the Word and been responsive to the teaching and moving of the Holy Spirit. Can we say as much for ourselves?

b. Interest. Not content to know and to marvel, they shamed the priests of Israel by their persistent interest in this great thing which had come to pass.

c. Love. They brought themselves in worship and they brought rich gifts from their treasures. You can give without loving, but you cannot love without giving.

d. Action. They came. They persisted until they found the Christ. Then they listened to God and protected His Son by not returning to Herod.

II. God Protected and Prepared Jesus.

The ruin which sin had brought into the world could only be met by redemption which Christ had come to bring. Some men had already shown their hatred for Jesus and their rejection of Him. But God still ruled, and for the sake of those who received Him (and would receive Him in all the centuries since), He kept the Child Jesus from harm. We find Him:

1. Protecting Jesus. Men may hate and seek to destroy God's Son. Satan may inspire them with ingenuity and cunning. But see how the Eternal One spoke to Joseph in dreams, how He prepared a place of refuge in Egypt and ultimately in Nazareth, where the boy Jesus might increase in wisdom and stature and favor with God and man.

2. Preparing Jesus. God knew of the days of public ministry which were ahead, and above all, of that day when on Golgotha's hill Christ was, in His own body, to prepare salvation for you and for me. God is never taken by surprise. He moves forward to the completion of His plan with the stately tread of eternity.

He took Jesus to Egypt. He brought Him again to Nazareth. In it all He was preparing His Son for the days of ministry which were ahead. All this was in fulfillment of prophecy (see vv. 15, 17). God's Word is always sure.

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C. F. Rosser,
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C. F. Rosser,
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For Sale- Seasoned Oak fire wood. See F. H. MARTIN,
Route 1, Appomattor, Va.
(1-4-1tp)

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WHAT GIVES SHOPLIFTERS URGE TO STEAL?

Wealth and position seem not to matter when it comes to shoplifting. Mayn persons in high positions have a neurotic compulsion to steal. Read the experiences of a woman store detective, one of many illustrated features in the January 14th issue of

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Darden to name committee to raise output of pulpwood.

Telephone 30 with Personals.

California defeats Tennessee in Rose Bowl football game.

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mayberry, of Appomattox, announce the engagement of their daughter, Ida Bell, to John R. Crawley, Jr., U. S. Army, son of Mrs. J. R. Crawley, of Lynchburg. No date has been set for the wedding.

ME? Help my Doctor?

Yes, Here's How YOU in APPOMATTOX COUNTY Can Help Your Doctor

Even though your doctor is heavily overworked, you can be reasonably sure of getting prompt response from him in times of real emergency if you...

1 HELP AVOID SICKNESS by extra attention to regularity of habits, ample sleep, relaxing outdoor exercise, and a balanced diet.

2 KNOW WHAT TO DO for minor ailments. Take the Red Cross First Aid course, if possible. Keep your medicine cabinet stocked with approved drugs and supplies.

3 RESPECT DOCTOR'S OFFICE HOURS Call him to your home only if it is not possible to go to his office. Remember, do not put off calling your doctor at first signs of illness.

Harold Y. Spencer
Druggist : Appomattox, Va.
Rexall DRUGS
Your Doctor's Partner in Health Service

Personals

Mrs. Ben F. Saunders and children have returned to their home in Richmond after spending the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cralle.

Misses Catherine Christian and Fannie Mae Cralle have returned to Richmond after spending the holidays at their home here. They are students at the William and Mary Extension Division.

B. D. Stratton, of Boonsboro, spent Wednesday in the home of Dr. D. A. Christian.

Miss Mildred Christian has returned to Cleveland, Ohio, after spending the holidays at her home here.

Mrs. Margaret Calcutt has accepted a position in the Highway Department office in Chatham, and will leave Saturday. Mrs. Calcutt has been employed in the highway office here.

Mrs. H. Frederick Jones was hostess to the W. M. S. at a te aNew Years Eve at her home, from 3 to 5. About thirty members called. Mrs. C. S. Jenkins poured tea and Mrs. T. M. Trent, Mrs. George Koos, Jr. and Mrs. J. Vance Perkins assisted Mrs. Jones in serving. Mrs. J. D. Plunkett rendered several violin solos.

Dr. J. Frasia Jones, of Richmond, who has frequently visited his brother, the Rev. H. Frederick Jones here, underwent an operation at the Johnston-Willis Hospital on Tuesday. His condiition is reported as satisfactory.

Guests of the Rev. and Mrs. H. Frederick Jones during the holidays included: Ensign Dulaney Foster, who is just back from Southern France; Mrs. Foster and their son, Dulaney, Jr., of Baltimore; Mr. and Mrs. J. Vance Perkins and children, of Blackstone, and Mrs. M. P. Gibson, of Washington.

Mrs. W. L. Brown spent the Christmas holidays in Crewe with her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Smith and son, Randolph, spent the holidays in Charlottesville.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitney Evans and Mr. and Mrs. John Evans have moved into an apartment in the W. R Reynolds home.

Misses Emily and Patty Featherston and Mrs. M. Troy motored to Lynchburg Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Persinger and son, of Iron Gate, are visiting her father, J. H. O Brien.

H. C. Wilmer is a partient at Memorial Hospital ,Lynchburg.

Johnny L. Cates is ill at the home of his aunt, Mrs. F. L. Murphy.

Mrs. L. L. Gayle was called to Richmond this week due to an illness in her family.

Mrs. M. W. Hancock had all her children, in-laws, and grand-children with her Christmas day: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Scott and daughter, Nancy; Mr. and Mrs. Fonrose Woolfork and son, Billy; Miss Annie Hancock; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Drinkard; Mr. and Mrs. Ned Hancock and son, Walter Edward; Mr. and Mrs. Watt Abbitt and children, Ann Culvin and Watkins, Jr., and also Mrs. Witt Hancock, of Bluefield.

Miss Vernelle Smith has returned home after spending several days with her sister, Mrs. James Gunter, of Concord.

Miss Alma Ferguson spent last week with her grandfather, Marshall Ferguson.

Mrs. Henry Perdieu has returned to Greensboro, N. C., after spending several days with her mother, Mrs. J. A. Smith. Quite a number attended the Pollyanna party given on Christmas Eve in this home.

Miss Colyer Smith spent Monday with Miss Mabel Doss.

Paul Sarver spent several days last week with his mother in Bedford. Mrs. Paul Sarver and Linda spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Lee Burks.

Jack Burks and Robert Twyman Burks visited Maynard Burks, in Chester, Pa., during the holidays.

Mrs. A. C. McCann is visiting her husband, Pfc. McCann, who is stationed at Camp Reynolds, Pa.

Mrs. Talmage Fulp left Wednesday to visit relatives in Walnut Cove, N. C.

Rev. and Mrs. W. R. Reed were given a pleasant surprise on Sunday, December 17, on their return to the parsonage after the evening service, when they found awaiting them a large group of members of Circle No. 2 of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, who gave them a generous pounding of good things to eat. Later in the week they received a 20-pound turkey from the Church, and many other gifts from individuals, as expressions of the love and esteem of their members.

Rev. and Mrs. W. R. Reed spent several days last week visiting relatives in Raleigh, N. C.

Circle No. 2 of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Memorial Church will meet January 9, with Mrs. L. L. Stanley at 7:30 P. M. Miss Harriett Holley will be program leader. Her subject will be: "Open Doors which no man can shut."

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Conner had as their guests for the Christmas holiday Mr. and Mrs. Ray Houchens and son, of Petersburg; Lieut. J. W. (Sam) Conner, who has been on extended overseas duty with the Air Corps; and Sydnor Conner, U. S. Navy, who has been on extended duty in the Pacific.

Other guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Conner were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Farrar of Evergreen, Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Allen and son, Douglas, of Lynchburg, and Mrs. Bernard Wilkerson and son, B. C., Jr., of Prospect.

Mrs. Burton Daye and daughter, Rachel Lee, of Richmond spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bass. Mr. Daye spent the week-end in the same home.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lee Bass a baby girl, December 29, in the Virginia Baptist Hospital.

Those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Martin over the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Russell Jamerson, of Portsmouth; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Martin, of Baltimore, Md.; Miss Mary Martin, of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. John Pool, of South Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Carey and son, Lewis, of Baltimore, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Jarrell.

Mrs. E. O. Jarrell and Mrs. O. D. Carey visited her daughter, Mrs. Mary Kogel i nLynchburg Tuesday.

Raymond Mann visited his sister, and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Mann in Crozet during the holidays.

Mrs. Albert Reynolds and son accompanied Mr. Reynolds to Lynchburg Monday for a visit.

Misses Dot and Rebecca Johnson and Essie Sandidge, of Lynchburg, spent Sunday night with Mrs. Calvin H. Robinson.

C. S. McDearmon is recovering at his home here from a recent fall. Branch Dunn is doing relief work at the depot in his absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Smith, of Ashland spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Evans.

Mrs. D. W. Dinkins, of Salem, and her son, Emmitt Dinkins, U. S. Navy, Norfolk, were visitors of Miss Gertrude Ranson Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson Scruggs, of Buckingham visited Mrs. M. H. Lawson Sunday.

Mrs. M. Troy, of Monroe, La., is visiting her neice, Miss Emily Featherston. Mrs. Troy was formerly Miss Mattie Ragland, and the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Ragland of this county, who were former owner of the McLean House at the Surrender Grounds.

Miss Emily Featherston spent the holidays with her neice, Mrs. Sam White, of Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Baldwin, of Richmond, after spending the holidays in Lynchburg with their daughter, Mrs. Sam White, paid a visit to the Featherstons Monday en route home.

L. E. Morris has returned to Norfolk after spending a month here with his wife.

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In Italy or anywhere else, mules are mules, and they have a will of their own. When the Sieve river rose rapidly it flooded their stables near Borgo San Lorenzo. A soldier of the Fifth army is struggling to lead the stubborn animals to higher ground.

Liberty Chapel

Liberty Chapel, Jan. 2.- Christmas holidays passed off quietly in [illegible].

Miss Bessie Thornhill, of Fredericksburg spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Thornhill.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Robertson of Arrington and Miss Barbara Caldwell were among the holiday guests visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs John W. Gunter.

Mrs. John Scruggs has been spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. J. K. Marshall.

George F Hanson, who spent the holidays at McLevel Farm with Mrs. Hanson, left Monday for Fairbanks, Minnesota, where he will resume his duties as athletic instructor at the Minnesota School for the Deaf.

Marshall Garrett, of Alexandria, spent the Christmas holidays with his home people.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Hatrher entertained Christmas day with a dining in her home, which was greatly enjoyed by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Moore, of Richmond and Mr. and Mrs. James F. MacKenzie, of Lynchburg were week-end guests of Mrs. Monroe L. Garrett.

E. K. Martin was among those who bagged a deer during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Anderson and family, of Richmond were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Martin during the holidays.

American First and Third Armies dent Nazi flanks.

House continues Dies committee.

Winter weather continues.

Eight American divisions headed up Allied counter offensive in Europe against Nazis, Germans say.

ONE MAN'S OPINION

By Walter Kiernan

Well, the secretary of the National Boot and Shoe association says bacon rind shoes for the ladies soon will be on the market.

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And that completes the distribution of the pig.

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Now science can turn its attention to fitting a rim on grapefruit skins and turning out derby hats.

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The bacon rind will be used as the uppers for women's shoes and I have suggested fried egg soles but nothing has come of it.

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My idea is a pair of shoes that not only look good, but can be seasoned and served for lunch.

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But what I want to know about these bacon rind shoes is: which will enjoy them the most, the matrons or the mice?

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We have been greasing our mousetraps with bacon rind for years and who wants to find open-mouthed mice in their open-toed slippers?

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Not any girls I know—and I feel I know them all.

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That's just one man's opinion, but it's as good as another man's opinion only I can't remember who he is.

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It will be sausage socks next.

Youthful Date Dress

This little number is in lavender wool jersey. It has an old-fashioned look which is not the least of its charm. The band of purple accentuates the butterfly cut of the bodice, the lowered waistline and the fullness of the skirt. Trimming flowers are made of felt.

'Open House' on New Year's Day

It was customary for the Dutch settlers of New York to hold "open house" on New Year's day and to provide light refreshments, usually centering around a large bowl of punch, for friends calling to pay the compliments of the season.

During the latter part of the 19th century the custom of making short calls on New Year's day was in full swing throughout America. Metropolitan newspapers carried columns of "at home" notices which, including names of social prominence and those making no such pretense, announced hours during which visitors would be received: having duly received, hosts and hostesses closed their receptions to join the procession of callers at other "open houses."

A succession of "open houses" and punch bowls minimized the courtesy accorded hostesses—in many cases —and even resulted in receptions being "crashed" by bibulous young men; these abuses led to the abandonment of the "open house" custom, New Year's calls now being exchanged only by intimates and without any public announcement of intention to receive.

ROUTE THREE

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Reynolds and daughter, Becky spent Sunday recently with Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Jamerson at Spout Springs

Dr. Mosby Payne returned to New York after spending several days in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Reynolds.

Cpl. Charlie Perdieu has returned to the Brooklyn Army Base in New York, after spending a 10 day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Perdieu, and friends at Appomattox.

Those visiting in the home of Mrs Florine Phelps during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Phelps, of Rustburg, Talmadge Phelps, of Monroe, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Ernest and son, Larry and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Reynolds and daughter, Becky.

Hixburg

Hixburg, Jan. 2.- The home demonstration club party on Wednesday night was very well attended in spite of the bad sleet. Games, under the direction of Mrs. H. J. Covington were enjoyed by all. Refreshments were served.

Those spending the Christmas holidays here were Misses Carrie and Barbara Hix, Miss Emma Earle, Misses Gertrude and Lavalette Sears, all of Richmond and Miss Ruth Swan, of Newport News.

Mrs. E. W. Gilliam, Mrs. H. M. Marshall and son spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Joel Watkins and family in Farmville.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Carson and Buddy spent several days with her parents during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Martin and family spent Sunday with Mrs. Jennie Young.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed McPhillips and family spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Joel Coleman. Mrs. Hank, of Richmond was there also.

Miss Jessie Carson is visiting friends in Prospect.

Miss Mary Frances Covington, of New Jersey spent Christmas with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant and family, of Cullen visited in the home of E. H. Carson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Covington and son visited her parents Dec. 25.

Mrs. J. T. Hix and the Hix children were supper guests Thursday night of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Harwood, of Appomattox.

Mrs. G. C. Maxwell is home again after several days in the Southside Community Hospital, Farmville.

Mrs. J. T. Hix and daughters and Ruth Hix spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Carson and family. They called by to see Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Marshall.

Henry McPhillips and the Hix boys spent Sunday afternoon with Morton Marshall, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. McPhillips and daughter called to see Mrs. Garlinghouse Sunday afternoon.

Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Black, Miss Mary Rives Black and Miss Ella B. Lewis called in the home of Mrs. Hix Wednesday morning.

Visitors during Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Sears were Miss Sallie Marshall and two of her friends from New York, and Mrs. Pearl Marshall, of Appomattox.

Mrs. Edward Douglas McClure, the former Miss Ellen Wilson, has returned to her school work in Glasgow.

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MARSHALL OF GUNSMOKE
ALSO
THE NAVY WAY

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Dorothy Lamour— Fred MacMurray in
AND THE ANGELS SING

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY JANUARY 10—11
SPENCER TRACY in
THE SEVENTH CROSS

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